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**PATENT
MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Patent Application of :
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Appln. No.: 09/927,811 : Examiner: R. Akhavan
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AMENDMENT

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated February 11, 2004 (Paper No. 20), sent in connection with the above-identified application. This Amendment is being timely filed in view of the three-month shortened statutory period for response, which sets the time for a response to the Office Action to and through May 11, 2004.

In response to the Office Action, kindly amend the application as follows: